

OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER NO. LTC # 140-2014

LETTER TO COMMISSION

TO:

Mayor Philip Levine and Members of the City/Commission

FROM:

Jimmy L. Morales, City Manager

DATE:

April 23, 2014

SUBJECT: Committee for Quality Education Motions

The Committee for Quality Education would like you to be aware of the following motions regarding the Extended Foreign Language (EFL) Program in Miami-Dade County Public Schools and incentives for teachers in Miami Beach public schools seeking certification in Spanish (foreign language), approved at the April 22, 2014, committee meeting.

C: Executive Staff

Dr. Leslie Rosenfeld, Organization Development Performance Initiatives

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City of Miami Beach Committee for Quality Education

Meeting of April 22, 2014

Members Present:, Karen Rivo, Ivette Birba, Jill Swartz, Tamar Oppenhiemer, Tiffany Heckler, Judi Berson-Levinson, Betsy Mateu, Christy Farhat, and Elisa Leone, Beverly Heller, Rosa Neely, Michelle Thomas, and Keren Bajaroff

Members Absent: John Aleman and Becky Cohen

Motion made by Beverly Heller Motion seconded by Betsy Mateu

Motion Text:

The Committee for Quality Education requests the Mayor and Commission, support the implementation of the Extended Foreign Language (EFL) program in all International Baccalaureate (IB) Primary Year Program elementary schools in the City of Miami Beach feeder pattern, support equal access to the EFL for all City of Miami Beach students, support informing all residents of the EFL program and ensure the integrity of the IB PYP is maintained by offering quality Spanish language to all students in the Miami Beach feeder pattern schools.

The Committee for Quality Education urges the Mayor and Commission to support the above request. Motion Passage: Votes 12-0

Motion made by Tiffany Heckler Motion seconded by Beverly Heller

Motion Text:

The Committee for Quality Education requests the Mayor and Commission encourage more teachers who work or intend to work in Miami Beach public schools to become certified to teach Spanish (Foreign Language) by providing these teachers with incentives.

The Committee for Quality Education urges the Mayor and Commission to support the above request. Motion Passage: Votes 13-0